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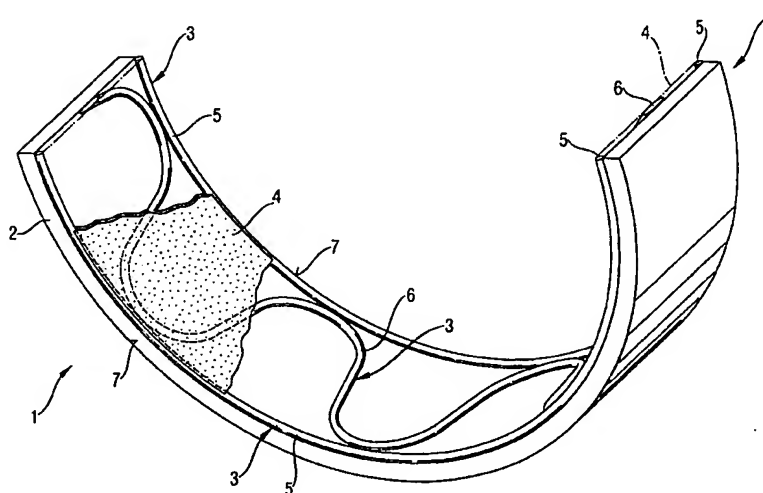
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(57) Abstract: A sliding bearing element is characterized in that a bearing material (3) that is bonded to the backing (2) is disposed at least at the edges of the backing (2) in form of wires (5, 6) in the circumferential direction and that a soft material (4) is located at least in a space between said wires (5, 6). At least one intermediate wire (6) can be disposed between the two edge wires (5) generally running in the circumferential direction. The method comprises the following processing steps: providing a strip (2a) of steel or any other material having the required degree of strength which forms the backing (2) of the bearing (1) to be produced, bonding at least one wire (5, 6) at each of the two edges of the backing strip (2a), whereat disposing the wires (5, 6) in such a manner that said wires (5) run in circumferential direction generally, and filling out the spaces between the wires (5, 6) with soft material (4).

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